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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1370

INFO AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOM, MP

SUBJECT: ALLEGED SOVIET BASE IN MAURITIUS

1. AMBASSADOR MARSHALL FROM NAIROBI MET WITH HEAD
EAST AFRICA DEPARTMENT AT FCO MAY 18 AND SUBJECT PRESS
REPORT OF SOVIETS SEEKING BASES IN MAURITIUS CAME UP.
HEAD EAST AFRICA DEPARTMENT SAID HE HAD NOT SEEN
REPORTS AND THAT HMG HAD NO INFORMATION ON SOVIET
INTENTION TO SEEK BASES. IN ANY EVENT, BRITISH FELT
PRIME MINISTER OF MAURITIUS WOULD NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE
WITH SOVIETS AROUND AND UNLIKELY GIVE THEM ANY BASE
RIGHTS.

2. BRITISH ALSO FELT THAT SHOULD QUESTION OF SOVIET
BASE RIGHTS ARISE, THEY WOULD KNOW ABOUT IT. ACCORDING
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TO UK AGREEMENT WITH MAURITIUS, MAURITIANS ARE UNDER

OBLIGATION NOT TO DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD PREJUDICE
BRITISH RIGHTS IN MAURITIUS AND ARE ALSO OBLIGED TO
CONSULT WITH UK IN CASE OF ANY THREAT TO MILITARY
SECURITY.

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